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1. IN PARA 3 REF A, MISSION SUGGESTED US SHOULD PROPOSE THAT ALLIES UNDERTAKE BROAD EVALUATION OF SPAIN'S RELATIONSHIP TO NATO IN ORDER TO DEFLECT POSSIBLE ALLEGATIONS BY SOME ALLIES THAT US IS COLLABORATING WITH SPAIN ON ATLANTIC DECLARATION ISSUE WITHOUT PRIOR DISCUSSION IN NATO. WE BELIEVE THIS ALLEGATION COULD BE COUNTERED BY POINTING TO RECENT US CONSULTATIONS WITH THE PERM REPS ON THIS SUBJECT (USNATO 0087).

2. ALTHOUGH WE BELIEVE STUDY SUGGESTED ABOVE COULD PROVE USEFUL UNDER RIGHT CIRCUMSTANCES, WE PRESENTLY THINK IT SHOULD BE DELAYED UNTIL AFTER ARIAS NAVARRO ADMINISTRATION HAS SETTLED IN AND WE HAVE HAD A CHANCE TO REVIEW IMPLICATIONS FOR GOS FOREIGN POLICY.

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3. THEREFORE, YOU SHOULD DEFER PROPOSING SUCH A STUDY IN THE NAC FOR TIME BEING. KISSINGER

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